in North Carolina; and to serve as the state's liaison to national and state organizations which support its mission.

Section 2. Membership Composition

a. All members of the Commission shall be appointed by the Governor. It shall consist of no fewer than 15 and no more than 25 members. Not more than 50 percent of the Commission plus one member may be from the same political party. To the extent possible, it shall be diverse in race, ethnicity, age, disability, and gender. Terms shall be for three years and shall be staggered.

b. The Commission shall include:

- 1. An individual with expertise in the educational, training, and developmental needs of youth, particularly disadvantaged youth.
- 2. An individual with experience in promoting the involvement of older adults in service and volunteerism.
- 3. A representative of community-based agencies or community-based organizations within the State.
- 4. The Superintendent of the Department of Public Instruction, or his designee.
- 5. A representative of local governments in the State.
- 6. A representative of local labor organizations in the State.
- 7. A representative of business.
- 8. At least two Commission members shall be individuals between the ages of 16 and 25 who are service providers or recipients in a volunteer or service program.
- 9. A representative of the Corporation for National and Community Service described in Section 122(a) of the United States Public Law 103-82 ("P.L."), as a non-voting, ex officio member.
- 10. A designee from the Governor's Office and the Director of the Department of Public Instruction's Learn and Serve School-Based Program shall serve as non-voting ex-officio members.

c. The Commission may include:

- 1. Members selected from among local educators.
- 2. Members selected from among experts in the delivery of human, educational, environmental, or public safety services to communities and persons.
- 3. Representatives of Native American tribes.
- 4. Members selected from among out-of-school youth or other "at-risk" youth.
- 5. Representatives of entities that receive assistance under the domestic Volunteer Service Act of 1973 (42 U.S.C. 4950 et seq.).
- d. Not more than 25 percent of the Commission members may be employees of state government, though additional state agency representatives may sit on the Commission as non-voting, ex officio members.